

Merchants Fall Before Local Sluggers 6-2

Slugging Jimmie Jackson sent the Southwest Merchants home Sunday with a 6 to 2 defeat before one of the largest crowds to witness a local game. Jackson started the scoring spree for the Torrance American Legion boys when he doubled in the second inning with the Merchants holding a two run lead.

H. McCormick singled in this inning to start the horsehide bounding about the field followed by B. McNeal, who drew a base on balls. Jim's weather eye picked out a Merchant's pitcher and slammed it hard into right field for the double, scoring two runners, then stole third and home just to show the local fans that the old boy was still in shape.

Barney Henderson chalked up his second win for the locals allowing seven hits and three runs during his seven innings in the ball game. Sammy Schneider took the mound in this inning to finish the game. No hits, no runs, no errors were marked against Schneider.

Lefty Lee, fast curve ball artist for the Merchants, gave TAL six hits and six runs during his six innings on the mound.

Umpire Cady came in for a little criticism when he refused to allow Buck Kuhn, of the home nine, enough time to return from second to first base after a hit foul.



FIGHTS AT BOWL . . . Albert (Sandy) Sandoval of Wilmington, runnerup in the Southern California Golden Gloves championships, will take on a leading Los Angeles lightweight, Johnny Pilpott, in one half of the double main event of the amateur fight show at the Wilmington Bowl tomorrow (Friday) night.

PALICO TO BAKERSFIELD . . . Nick Palico of Lomita, and star player of the TAL was signed Sunday to the Bakersfield Indians. Nick, a snappy player in any league, joined the northern club following Sunday's game. Bakersfield is a member of the newly formed California League.

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Local Fighter Spotted In Bowl Opener

A double main event, featuring two rematches from last week's slam-bang program, will headline the amateur boxing show at the Wilmington Bowl tomorrow night.

Shorty Contreras of Wilmington, just back from several months of duty in the Merchant Marine, gets another shot at Johnny Williams, a Los Angeles middleweight, in the featured go. Williams took a whirlwind decision last week when Shorty tired in the final stanza.

Albert (Sandy) Sandoval, a Wilmington lightweight, who was runnerup in the Southern California Golden Gloves tournament, will tackle Johnny Pilpott of Los Angeles Main Street Gym in another rematch.

Balance of the card, which promoter-matchmaker Joe Craig claims is the best he has had since inaugurating fights at the Bowl more than five months ago, features two football stars, Bobby Corkhill of Compton College and Bruce Boughner of Long Beach Poly high, along with the usual navy talent.

Tony Dominguez of Wilmington will face highly rated Jimmy Garrison of Los Angeles in the light heavyweight special; Corkhill faces Richard Lopez of Wilmington; Boughner wades into Speedy Rose of the Navy, stationed at San Pedro. Ira Allen, another San Pedro navy boy, meets Charles Tojaya, a 130-pound Japanese from Wilmington; Tony Contreras gets Willie Dretzke of Inglewood in a rematch, while the opener at 8:30 p.m. brings out Davey Esparza of Torrance against Alex Cates of Los Angeles.

ELKS SUPPLY VETS IN HOSPITALS WITH HARD-TO-GET ITEMS

Tools, radios, cameras, auto engines, plastic and veneer—any of the items on the hard-to-get list are being supplied by the California Elks War Commission. The committee to wounded servicemen recuperating in hospitals throughout Southern California. Lloyd C. Leedom, chairman of the organization, announced yesterday.

On a recent tour of the Southland, Horace Wisely, president of the California Elks Association, visited the Pasadena Regional army hospital where the War Commission committee installed machinery for the hospital's hobby shop.

STRIPTEEES

By John P. Stripling

"With, or without an Orchid to friend or foe, I'll Tee an opinion wherever it may go"

FIRST ACE . . . Wally Fox is the guy who recently made a hole-in-one out on the Palos Verdes green after 23 years of walking-along with the game. Several prizes have been awaiting the guy who'd make the first ace and Wally made the "Pure Bull" column of the Country Club by stating:

"Why I didn't even know there was a prize for making a hole-in-one." Oh, brother! What manner of hole-in-one is this?

In the excitement of an ace a man may say anything and be excused but the sly of Fox has come in for a lot of ribbing on this one. Even we, who couldn't break a hundred with a pencil, know that someone is going to 'give' if that day ever dawns. To date, our only distressing thought is that not even a caddy will be present when we break par.

A CLUBHOUSE RODENT . . . On many occasions rain would drive old man "Triple-Threat" into the clubhouse and there the suckers would force him to continue in his pursuit of "taking-them-in."

Once, we remember, he had been taunted into a few gambles while loafing around the clubhouse because of a cold driving rain upon the course which he loved so much to complain. This time the "Threat" began to complain of the clubhouse and compared it with an ancient den of evil along a Chinese river.

This of course brought forth much criticism from the club members, because the quarters were of the finest. That mattered not to the "Threat," who only argued louder on what he termed "putrid conditions where varmints run rampant." He had the obnoxious talent of making a man as mad as a March hare—why he was never struck in his gold dental work was just another puzzle in his daily routine of perfect timing.

THE "THREAT" IS THREATENED . . . One sponsor-member threatened to bar him from the club if he didn't desist in his unwarranted remarks. The sly "Threat" knew the line must now be reeled in. He excused his unwanted presence from the "neediest" group with the remark "guess I'll take on a little watered bootleg in your rat infested bar."

Hardly had he left the room when all heard the cry of "Rat," with the "Threat" reappearing into the room, yelling: "Give me my number seven iron, quickly, I've just encountered a rat running down the hall with a side of bacon!"

You could have heard a pin drop following his libelous assertion. We were in our teens during this era, and believing the fabulous man had seen a rat, ran to the scene where the encounter was reported to have taken place.

"Don't enter that hallway unarmed, lad," he warned us, "that side of bacon is not worth it." He grabbed a nearby umbrella, saying: "I'll probably lose a leg destroying the monster, but it will be worth it, if only to prove to these yokels that the joint is jumping with rats."

Someone said "why don't you go into vaudeville?" with another answering, "and lose this high paying audience?" The "Threat" and I searched all up and down the hall for the big rat, but none was to be found—neither was the bacon in evidence. Upon our return they chided him for his inability to catch the rat. Many agreed that in his mind he had seen a rat; probably a pink one saddled and bridled. They dug him deep. Also suggested that he was a victim of the D. T.s.

THE RODENT . . . Space does not permit all the barbs that ensued, but the "Threat" was soon heard to say: "I could have caught that rascal if only I had had on a pair of gloves."

Needless to say that the gloves were produced for the fleeing.

The "Threat" was made to say that he could catch a rat with his hands within 30 minutes. He was further goaded into a bet (naturally) and given odds on the catch.

Yes, the rat was caught. It was in a drugged condition, which we later found had been caused by chloroform. The varmint was in a cigar box in the rest room. No one saw the actual catch—it wasn't necessary—the bets were paid.

Must we add that our slicker friend had planted the rodent early that morning—after deciding that the rain would keep him and the others inside the clubhouse? Well, he did!

GAS COMPANY AND UTILITY WORKERS REACH AGREEMENT

Representatives of the Utility Workers Union of America, C. I. O. and Southern California Gas Company at the conclusion of negotiations today, announce that an agreement has been reached which will result in substantial increases in salary rates to employees of the gas company.

The details of the settlement are being worked out and will be recommended to the membership early next week.

FORD PLANT IN LONG BEACH TO RESUME OPERATION

With parts again beginning to flow in from the east, the Ford Motor Co. Long Beach harbor assembly plant is expected to resume production between March 18 and 25, officials said today.

At that time, 1000 workers will be called to join the 1000 now employed. An assembly rate of 125 cars a day is scheduled when the plant resumes operation, with expectation the production will reach 400 cars daily within a few weeks.



RETURNS—Enos Slaughter, right-fielder for the St. Louis Cardinals, gets back the feel of his bat as he trains with the Cards at St. Petersburg, Fla. Enos was a .318 hitter in 1942 before becoming a U. S. serviceman.

Narbonne High Features Inter-Team Track Meet

By DICK WILSON

Coach Loughborough of Narbonne high reports that track teams will get their first real trial tomorrow at an inter-quadrant track meet to be held at Narbonne. The contestants will be members of the A, B and C track teams. There will be at least two new features in this track meet, one will be the C track team, and the other is the pole vaulting event.

Pole vaulting was cut out of the Marine League sports event when the war started because of a lack of safe bamboo poles which had to be imported from Japan. But now the coach boasts of having two brand new all aluminum poles for the vaulting.

The events will take place as follows: A—High hurdles, B—High hurdles, C—660, B—660, A—880, C—25, A—100, B—100, C—180, A—Low hurdles, B—Low hurdles, C—Low hurdles, A—440, A—220, B—220, B—1320, A—mile C—Relay, A—Relay. Field events: B—High jump, A—Broad Jump, B—Shot put, A—High Jump, B—Broad Jump, A—Shot put.

Three Local Gridsters Line Up At San Jose

Attending San Jose University, three former Torrance high graduates, who were three year lettermen in football are home from the wars and now are burning the midnight oil over their classbooks in the northern California city.

The three gallant gents of the gridiron are, Rolly Andrews, ex-all-Marine League end; Bill Paxon and Bob Jackson, all-Marine halfbacks all of whom made the going tough for the opposing teams during the years of 1939-40-41.

Yes, the gang is out for football at San Jose, and brother that's a threat to the opposition.

BACKYARD GARDENS URGED AGAIN TO RELIEVE SHORTAGE

President Harry S. Truman has appealed for home food production again this year to relieve the general world-wide food shortage.

Those same backyard garden plots which during war years produced 40 per cent of the fresh vegetables consumed in this country should again be planted, he believes to produce food for domestic use and to make available commercial production for relief of the hungry millions abroad.

In line with this call, C. V. Castle, farm advisor of Los Angeles county, offers bulletins and circulars on gardening methods, varieties, pest control, and irrigation all free for the asking at 808 No. Spring st., Los Angeles 12.

CHIEF PRODUCTS . . . The chief products of Bulgaria are tobacco, corn, hides, wheat, petroleum, attar of roses, textiles, metals and machinery.

Methodists Down St. Andrew's On Local Court

The Methodists' 31-29 overtime victory over St. Andrew's proved to be one of the most thrilling of this season's plays in the "Y" Church League. The game was hotly contested throughout with both teams taking the lead repeatedly. The fine generalship of Bill Jackson plus 18 points by Jack Turner proved inadequate, however, as Bill Stanley and his fighting Methodist team. Another interesting game of the evening was Christian's 39-25 victory over the Baptist team. Ralph George led the scoring by a massing of 10 field goals and 2 fouls for 22 points.

In a surprise game of the week the Catholic team topped the league's leading Christian team 39-20. The Catholic team led by the high scorer Bud Smith with 15 points, showed a smooth coordinated passing attack that proved too much for the Christian team. The public is invited to witness these games each Tuesday and Thursday evening in the Torrance high school gym.

SANTA FE WILL INSTALL RADIO ON TRAINS SOON

Santa Fe trains are to be equipped with radio, wire reproducers and public address systems some time this year, F. G. Gurley, president of the read, announced.

These will bring music to passengers for their entire trips. Santa Fe dining car No. 1450 is the first to be equipped with this service, Gurley said. It will be placed in service on March 10.

Local Cagers Cop Spotlight In Playoffs

The Torrance Recreation basketballers cleared their first hurdle in the race for the Long Beach City Championships, defeating the Douglas Aircraft Blue Devils 36-44 last Friday at the L. B. Armory.

The Torrance boys stole the show by capturing the scoring records for the evening's program. Their 44 points was tops for the 12 teams with Bud Smith and Bill Stanley tied for high man. Each spread the mesh for 15 digits to be at the head of the "class" of 68 players.

After trailing by 1 point at the half the locals pulled into a 29-29 tie at the three-quarter mark and put on a scoring spree in the final stanza to win going away.

Tonight at 9:15 the high flying Redondo Eagles will swoop down to the floor in the Torrance High gymnasium, claws sharp and beaks open, to do battle with the white clad recreation team.

The Torrance team resumes its quest for the Long Beach title on Tuesday, meeting the fast Todd Ship quintet at 8:15 p. m. in the Long Beach Poly gym.

Summary: (44) Blue Devils (36) Smith (15) F. Strong (12) Stanley (15) F. Jackson (7) Moon (4) C. Paul (3) Teske (10) G. Doyen (6) Jackson (10) G. Mimeo (4) Subs: Douglas Blue Devils — Johnson (4).

FIRST NATION . . . England, in the year 1870, was the first nation of the world to practice feeding of school children at midday.

Male Chorus For Easter Services

The Torrance Boys Club has announced a male chorus has sprung from within the group with a first rehearsal scheduled for March 11 in the Civic Auditorium beginning at 8:30 p. m. Chorus Chairman Leo Wagner said, the youths are anticipating a sunrise service for Easter Sunday. The location for this service has not yet been selected, it was said.

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